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#### 1. KUBAN

- a. The B.7 (KUBAN) is now expected to make its first trials at the end of 25X1 May or beginning of June 1955.
- b. Lists are being prepared of those technicians and fitters who are to be aboard during the trials.
- c. The Soviet authorities are considerably perturbed as to the ability of the Russian seamen to run the mechanical and electrical equipment efficiently  $_{25\times1}$
- do One hundred and eighty Soviet Navy men were aboard in mid-May.
- e. The KUBAN has left her old berth alongside the quay and is now moored about 200 m. from land.

### 2. KASTOR

- a. The berth vacated by the KUBAN is now occupied by the former icebreaker KASTOR. The latter is being rebuilt as a warship.l
- bo Guns of unspecified caliber, but described as "heavier caliber", have been mounted.
- c. Modifications are to be completed on 31 October 1955.

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d. Trials are scheduled to begin 31 December 1955.

### 3. SOFIA

The SOFIA, described as sister ship of the KUBAN, is moored at Warnemuende, awaiting a free berth at the yard.2

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Comment: KASTOR is being converted to an AA training ship.

Comment: It is unknown whether this ship is to be modified in warnemuende or Rostock.

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